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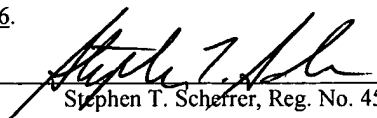
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AMENDMENT

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

The present amendment is submitted in response to the Office Action dated October 19, 2005. Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendments, and consideration of the following remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.